



EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2125
Docket No.: 1538.1042

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Mitsuru IKEDA, et al.

Serial No. 10/706,270

Group Art Unit: 2125

Confirmation No. 5657

Filed: November 13, 2003

Examiner: Paul L. Rodriguez

For: CAM SYSTEM AND PROGRAM, AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING CAM SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: **BOX AF**

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted for filing with an RCE being filed concurrently herewith. This Preliminary Amendment, further, is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed September 30, 2005, and the Advisory Action mailed February 14, 2006. A Petition for a two-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to February 28, 2006.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

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